Fellowship Amount for Research Scholars of ICSSR

5686. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that prior to April, 1994 the fellowship amount for research scholars of both Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) and University Grants Commission (UGC) was the same;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that UGC has increased the fellowship amount paid by it from April, 1994 onwards;

(c) whether the similar change has been effected in the amount of fellowship being paid by ICSSR;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) by when it is likely to be implemented in ICSSR as well?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION & DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KM. SELJA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) to (e) The ICSSR's proposal regarding revision of fellowship amount of ICSSR Junior Research Fellow has been agreed to by the Government subject to the condition that the qualifications and eligibility conditions for ICSSR fellowships would remain the same as those of UGC fellowships. The revised rate of fellowship would come into effect from 01.04.1995.

Poor Maintenance of Art Works in Santiniketan

5687. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received complaints about the poor maintenance and preservation of the art works of Ramkinkar in Santiniketan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION & DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KM. SELJA): (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by Visva-Bharati, the University has not received any complaints about the poor maintenance and preservation of the works of art of the late Ram Kinkar in Santiniketan. As a matter of fact, the University has organised maintenance and preservation work done to these works of art under the guidance of some specialists who were invited from Lucknow for the purpose. The University had also requested an eminent Conservation Consultant to carry out an inspection of the works of art in question and submit a report. The Report of the Consultant has been received and the University has started action on the lines suggested by the Consultant.

शिमला स्थित इण्डियन इंस्टीट्यूट ऑफ एडवान्स स्टडी को दिये गए अनुदान

5688. **श्री शंकर दयाल सिंहः** क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे किः

(क) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान शिमला स्थित इण्डियन इंस्टीट्यूट ऑफ एडवान्स स्टडी को कितनी राशि के अनुदान दिये गए हैं और उन मदों का ब्यौरा क्या है जिनके लिए ये अनुदान दिये गए हैं;

(ख) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान उक्त संस्थान में किन-किन लोगों ने शोध कार्य किया और उन्हें इस प्रयोजन के लिए कितनी-कितनी राशि दी है;

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि जिन लोगों का वहां उच्चतर शोध कार्य हेतु चयन किया जाता है, उनके ऊपर पक्षपात का आरोप है; और

(घ) क्या सरकार ने कभी इस इंस्टीट्यूट की उच्च स्तरीय दल से जांच करवाई है, यदि हां, तो कब और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण है?